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# BEFORE THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE: ) SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

DATE AND TIME: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1997 9:30 A.M.

PLACE: BOARD ROOM

8800 CAL CENTER DRIVE SACRAMENTO,

CALIFORNIA

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#### **APPEARANCES**

MR. DANIEL G. PENNINGTON, CHAIRMAN MR. ROBERT C. FRAZEE, VICE CHAIRMAN

MR. WESLEY CHESBRO, MEMBER (NOT PRESENT) MS. JANET GOTCH, MEMBER

MR. STEVEN R. JONES, MEMBER

MR. PAUL RELIS, MEMBER

# STAFF PRESENT

MR. RALPH CHANDLER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER MS. KATHRYN TOBIAS, LEGAL COUNSEL

MS. MARLENE KELLY, BOARD SECRETARY

MS. PATTI BERTRAM, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT MS. DOROTHY RICE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR,

PERMITTING AND ENFORCEMENT

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| CALL TO ORDER                    | 4                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS          | 4                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ITEM 1: CONSIDERATION OF A STAN  | DARDIZED COMPOSTING  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PERMIT FOR THE BTI-MANTECA PRODU | JCTION FACILITY, SAN |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| JOAQUIN COUNTY                   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| STAFF PRESENTATION               | 5                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PUBLIC TESTIMONY                 | 12                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DISCUSSION                       | 8, 13, 21, 27        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ACTION                           | 44                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OPEN DISCUSSION                  | NONE                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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- 1 SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA; WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1997
- 9:30 A.M.

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- 4 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: GOOD MORNING.
- 5 WELCOME TO A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA
- 6 INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD. WOULD THE
- 7 SECRETARY CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE.
- 8 BOARD SECRETARY: BOARD MEMBER CHESBRO.
- 9 FRAZEE.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: HERE.
- BOARD SECRETARY: GOTCH.
- BOARD MEMBER GOTCH: HERE.
- BOARD SECRETARY: JONES.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: HERE.
- BOARD SECRETARY: RELIS.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: HERE.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON.
- 18 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: HERE. QUORUM IS
- 19 PRESENT.
- DO ANY MEMBERS HAVE ANY EX PARTES?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I DO, MR. CHAIRMAN.
- 22 I GOT AN EX PARTE WITH LARRY SWEETSER AND JEFF
- DUHAMEL.
- 24 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. AS A
- 25 REMINDER, IF THERE'S ANYBODY WHO WISHES TO ADDRESS

- 1 THE BOARD ON THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE, THERE ARE
- 2 SPEAKER SLIPS AT THE BACK OF THE TABLE. IF YOU
- 3 WILL FILL ONE OUT AND BRING IT TO MS. KELLY, AND
- 4 SHE'LL MAKE SURE WE KNOW OF YOUR WISHES TO SPEAK.
- 5 NOW WE'LL MOVE TO THE ONE AGENDA
- 6 ITEM WE HAVE TODAY, WHICH IS THE CONSIDERATION OF
- 7 A STANDARDIZED COMPOSTING PERMIT FOR THE BTI-
- 8 MANTECA PRODUCTION FACILITY IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.
- 9 DOROTHY RICE.
- 10 MS. RICE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR.
- 11 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS. AS YOU WILL RECALL, THIS IS
- 12 THE STANDARDIZED PERMIT CARRIED OVER FROM LAST
- 13 MONTH'S -- LAST WEEK'S, I THINK, BOARD MEETING IN
- 14 ORDER TO ADDRESS OUTSTANDING ISSUES RELATED TO THE
- 15 PROPERTY BOUNDARY, WHICH WE FEEL WE ARE ABLE TO DO
- 16 TODAY AND BRING THIS BACK FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.
- 17 WE'LL HAVE A STAFF PRESENTATION BY
- 18 TERRY SMITH ASSISTED BY GREG OLIVERA OF THE LOCAL
- 19 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.
- 20 MR. SMITH: MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
- 21 BOARD MEMBERS. CONCURRENCE WITH THIS PERMIT WILL
- 22 ALLOW BTI TO COMPOST GREEN MATERIALS ON 20 ACRES
- 23 OF LAND THAT IS SUBLEASED FROM WEAVER INDUSTRIES
- 24 AND LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF MANTECA.
- 25 BTI EMPLOYS A THERMOPHILIC WINDROW

- 1 METHOD OF COMPOSTING. THE PRODUCTION PERIOD TAKES
- 2 APPROXIMATELY 90 DAYS. PLANNED END USES FOR THE
- 3 COMPOST INCLUDE MATERIALS FOR VERMICOMPOSTING
- 4 FEEDSTOCK, SOIL AMENDMENTS, AND ORGANIC BASED
- 5 FERTILIZERS FOR RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL,
- 6 INSTITUTIONAL, AND AGRICULTURAL MARKETS.
- 7 AT LAST MONTH'S BOARD MEETING, THE
- 8 OPERATOR WAIVED THE BOARD'S STATUTORY TIME LINES
- 9 SO THE BOARD WOULDN'T HAVE TO ACT ON A VERBALLY
- 10 DESCRIBED SITE PLAN DESCRIPTION AND OTHER LAST
- 11 MINUTE CHANGES RESULTING FROM THE APPLICANT'S NEW
- 12 LEASE.
- 13 THE APPLICANT HAS SINCE PROVIDED THE
- 14 LEA AND BOARD STAFF AN AMENDED REPORT OF COMPOST-
- 15 ING SITE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION FORM FOR
- 16 THE COMPOSTING PERMIT, WHICH INCLUDES THE
- 17 APPLICANT SIGNATURE, THE LANDOWNER SIGNATURE, AND
- 18 WEAVER INDUSTRIES SIGNATURE.
- 19 THE AMENDED REPORT OF COMPOSTING
- 20 SITE INFORMATION INCLUDES A SITE MAP DRAWN TO
- 21 SCALE WHICH CLEARLY DELINEATES BTI'S PROPOSED
- 22 COMPOSTING SITE BOUNDARIES AS WELL AS REVISIONS
- 23 THAT MADE THE LEASE-TENANT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
- 24 WEAVER INDUSTRY AND BTI CLEAR. THE RCSI STATES
- 25 THAT BTI SUBLEASES APPROXIMATELY 20 ACRES OF LAND

- 1 FROM WEAVER AND THAT BTI AND WEAVER ARE
- 2 INDEPENDENT COMPANIES.
- 3 OTHER ISSUES REGARDING WEAVER
- 4 INDUSTRIES' LACK OF COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR
- 5 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT THAT WAS ISSUED BY THE CITY
- 6 OF MANTECA WERE ALSO RAISED IN THE LAST MEETING.
- 7 A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IS NOT A PREREQUISITE TO
- 8 A STANDARDIZED COMPOSTING PERMIT. IT IS STAFF'S
- 9 UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
- 10 ISSUED TO WEAVER MIGHT BE REVOKED. WHATEVER
- 11 ACTION THE CITY ENDS UP TAKING SHOULD NOT,
- 12 ACCORDING TO STAFF'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE STATUTES
- AND REGULATIONS, AFFECT A DECISION THAT IS MADE
- 14 TODAY ON THIS PERMIT.
- THE LEA AND BOARD STAFF HAVE
- 16 ANALYZED THE PROPOSED PERMIT AND SUPPORTING
- 17 DOCUMENTATION AND HAVE DETERMINED THAT ALL THE
- 18 REOUIREMENTS FOR THIS STANDARDIZED COMPOSTING
- 19 PERMIT HAVE BEEN MET, INCLUDING CONSISTENCY WITH
- 20 STATE MINIMUM STANDARDS, CONFORMANCE WITH THE
- 21 COUNTY INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, AND
- 22 COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA.
- 23 STAFF HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE
- 24 PROPOSED PERMIT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATIONS ARE
- 25 ACCEPTABLE FOR BOARD'S CONSIDERATION, AND WE

- 1 RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD CONCUR WITH THE ISSUANCE
- 2 OF SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT NO. 39-AA-0036.
- 3 MS. CRYSTAL OUINLY AND MR. MARK
- 4 BROWNTON REPRESENTING BTI AND MR. ED PADILLA AND
- 5 MR. GREG OLIVERA OF THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY LEA

## ARE

- 6 PRESENT AND AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU
- 7 MAY HAVE. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF PRESENTATION.
- 8 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: THANK YOU.
- 9 QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR DO YOU WANT TESTIMONY FROM
- 10 THE PUBLIC FIRST?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: I HAVE JUST ONE
- 12 QUESTION. THE AGENDA ITEM INDICATES UNDER
- 13 FACILITY TYPE, THE LAST ITEM ON PAGE 1,
- 14 VERMICOMPOSTING FACILITY. MY OBSERVATION OF THE
- 15 SITE WAS THAT THAT WAS ONLY A VERY MINOR PORTION
- OF THE OPERATION, AND THAT MUCH OF THE PRODUCT,

IF

NOT THE MAJOR PORTION OF IT, IS SOLD OFF FOR

## OTHER

- 18 PURPOSES OTHER THAN VERMICOMPOSTING.
- 19 MR. SMITH: THAT'S CORRECT. IT'S

#### EVOLVED

- 20 INTO COMPOSTING. IT'S NOT SOLELY VERMICOMPOST.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: IF IT WERE SOLELY

| 22 | VERMICOM | IPOSTIN | G, THEN | IT   | WOULD  | BE  | EXEMPT | FRON | √I  |
|----|----------|---------|---------|------|--------|-----|--------|------|-----|
| 23 | PERMIT,  | RIGHT?  |         |      |        |     |        |      |     |
| 24 |          | MR. S   | MITH:   | THAT | 'S COF | REC | T.     |      |     |
| 25 |          | BOARD   | MEMBER  | RELI | IS: M  | R.  | CHAIR, | JUST | THE |

- 1 CLARIFICATION OF THE STAFF FINDING REGARDING THE
- 2 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THE WAY I HEARD IT IS
- 3 THAT WHILE NORMALLY WE WOULD DISCUSS THAT IN THE
- 4 CONTEXT OF A PERMIT, BECAUSE THIS IS CONTAINED --
- 5 THE BTI OPERATION IS LIKE A DELINEATED AREA WITHIN
- 6 A LARGER CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, IF THAT PERMIT
- 7 WERE RESCINDED, THEY COULD STILL OPERATE. IS THAT
- 8 THE WAY IT WOULD GO, OR WE DON'T KNOW AND THAT'S
- 9 OUT OF OUR HANDS.
- 10 MS. TOBIAS: I THINK THAT'S UP TO THE
- 11 CITY OF MANTECA IN TERMS OF THEIR USE PERMIT AND
- 12 WHAT THEY ALLOW TO GO ON ON THE SITE. OUR PERMIT
- 13 DOES NOT ALLOW SOMEONE TO OPERATE IN ABSENCE OF
- 14 THEIR OTHER PERMITS THAT ARE NECESSARY. SO THE
- 15 FACT THAT THEY HAVE A PERMIT FROM US AND THEN
- 16 THEIR USE PERMIT IS INVALIDATED, IT WOULD BE UP TO
- 17 THE CITY OF MANTECA TO STOP THE USES ON THE SITE.
- OUR PERMIT DOES NOT GIVE THEM THE ABILITY TO
- 19 OPERATE BY THEMSELVES.
- 20 IT MAY BE, AND I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH
- 21 ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR SITE, THAT IF -- SOMETIMES
- USE PERMITS ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR LOW LEVEL
- 23 ACTIVITIES. SO LET'S SAY, FOR EXAMPLE, THIS
- 24 PARTICULAR USE IS AN ALLOWABLE USE ON -- IN THIS
- 25 TYPE OF ZONE, LET'S SAY INDUSTRIAL OR AG ZONE OR

- 1 WHATEVER. IF HIS ACTIVITY DOESN'T NEED A USE
- 2 PERMIT AND HE HAS A PROPER PERMIT FROM US, THEN,
- 3 YES, HE COULD CONTINUE TO OPERATE THEORETICALLY.
- 4 IF HIS PARTICULAR TYPE OF USE DOES REQUIRE USE
- 5 PERMIT FROM THE CITY OF MANTECA, THEN I WOULD
- 6 IMAGINE THE CITY OF MANTECA WOULD BE SHUTTING DOWN
- 7 ALL USES ON THIS PROPERTY UNTIL THEY HAVE A USE
- 8 PERMIT.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: AND THAT WOULD BE A
- 10 MATTER THAT WOULDN'T NECESSARILY COME BACK TO US?
- MS. TOBIAS: WELL, IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE
- 12 CITY DOES. IF THE CITY GIVES THEM A NEW USE
- 13 PERMIT AND ADOPTS OTHER PERMIT CONDITIONS THAT
- 14 CHANGE OUR PERMIT, THEN THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME
- 15 BACK AND HAVE THAT AMENDED. I THINK THAT'S ONE
- 16 REASON WHY WE HAVE NORMALLY ACTED AFTER THE LOCAL
- 17 JURISDICTION. IN THIS CASE WE'RE NOT REALLY
- 18 ACTING AFTER THEM. IT'S GOING TO BE REVOKED IF
- 19 THEY DON'T -- MY UNDERSTANDING IS IF THEY DON'T
- 20 MEET CERTAIN CONDITIONS. AND I DON'T KNOW IF I
- 21 HAVE THE LATEST INFORMATION ON THAT OR NOT.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: JUST FOR -- IS

#### THERE

- 23 A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY HERE AT ALL?
- MR. SMITH: YES. THERE'S NOT A
- 25 REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CITY, I DON'T BELIEVE,

BUT

- 1 MR. BROWNTON AND OTHERS WERE AT THE MEETING, AND
- 2 THEY KNOW MORE ABOUT THE PROCESS AND WHAT IT
- 3 CURTAILS. THEY HAVE A LETTER FROM THE CITY WHICH
- 4 ADDRESSES THE ISSUE OF -- IF THE CONDITIONAL USE
- 5 PERMIT IS REVOKED FOR WEAVER, IT TELLS -- THE
- 6 LETTER STATES THAT THEY CAN GO AHEAD AND APPLY FOR
- 7 THEIR OWN CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND THEN TELLS
- 8 THEM THAT THEY -- IT MAY NOT BE NECESSARY FOR THEM
- 9 TO GET A SEPARATE PARCEL OR PARCEL SPLIT TO DO
- 10 THAT. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WOULD ALLOW THEM TO
- 11 CONTINUE TO OPERATE OR NOT.
- 12 ON THE SECOND PAGE OF OUR COMPOSTING
- 13 PERMIT, STANDARDIZED COMPOSTING PERMIT, 15,
- 14 TOWARDS THE BOTTOM, IT SAYS, "IN ADDITION TO THIS
- 15 PERMIT, THE FACILITY MAY HAVE ONE OR MORE OF THE
- 16 FOLLOWING PERMITS OR RESTRICTIONS ON ITS
- 17 OPERATION." THAT'S OTHER THAN THIS PERMIT. AND
- 18 IT LISTS THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AS ONE OF
- 19 THOSE OTHER RESTRICTIONS OR PERMITS. AND AS IT
- 20 SAYS, "THE PERSON SEEKING INFORMATION REGARDING
- 21 THESE ITEMS SHOULD CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE
- 22 REGULATORY AGENCY."
- 23 AND SO EACH ONE OF THESE ARE
- 24 SEPARATE PERMITS. THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT OR
- 25 THE VARIANCE FROM THE AIR POLLUTION DISTRICT

- 1 COULD, IN FACT, TAKE THEIR SEPARATE ENFORCEMENT
- 2 ACTIONS ON THIS SITE WITHOUT, AS FAR AS I KNOW,
- 3 AFFECTING OUR PERMIT. OUR PERMIT WOULD STILL BE
- 4 INTACT. OF COURSE, THEY COULDN'T OPERATE, LIKE
- 5 KATHRYN SAID.
- 6 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: ANY ADDITIONAL
- 7 OUESTIONS? THEN LET'S HEAR FROM MARK BROWNTON.
- 8 MR. BROWNTON: MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
- 9 BOARD MEMBERS. APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE
- 10 OPPORTUNITY TO COME BACK AND DISCUSS THE ISSUES
- 11 THAT WE TALKED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO.
- 12 TERRY, COULD YOU HOOK THIS MAP UP
- 13 FOR ME, PLEASE?
- 14 ONE OF THE OUESTIONS TWO WEEKS AGO
- 15 HAD TO DO WITH THE DELINEATION OF BTI PROPERTY
- 16 FROM WEAVER PROPERTY. THIS MAP -- AND I HOPE THAT
- 17 EACH ONE OF YOU HAVE ONE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A
- 18 CURRENT MAP WITH A HIGHLIGHTED AREA, I WILL BE
- 19 GLAD TO GET ONE TO YOU RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE EIGHT
- 20 AND A HALF BY ELEVEN, 11 BY 17, AND 24 BY 30. AND
- 21 YOU CAN'T SEE?
- 22 THE -- I'M GOING TO ZOOM IN A LITTLE
- 23 BIT AND PULL IT OVER TO THIS AREA. NOW, A COUPLE
- OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE BEEN THERE. AND YOU CAN
- 25 SEE RIGHT AT THIS POINT RIGHT HERE (INDICATING)

- 1 SAYS STAGING AND PREPARATION AREA. THERE IS A
- 2 DARK LINE THAT GOES AROUND THAT AREA DOWN TO HERE,
- 3 OVER, AND BACK UP TO RIGHT HERE. THEN THE LINE
- 4 FOLLOWS THE RAILROAD TRACKS AROUND, WHICH IS A
- 5 VERY CLEAR DELINEATION OF THE PROPERTY, AND THEN
- 6 DOWN INTO WHAT WE CONSIDER OUR C AREA.
- 7 WE HAVE PUT 55-GALLON BARRELS AND
- 8 WITH TAPE DOWN HERE. AND THE RAILROAD TRACK, I
- 9 BELIEVE IT'S SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA -- SOUTHERN
- 10 RAILWAYS, UP HERE, AND THEN THERE'S A TRACK DOWN
- 11 HERE. SO IT'S VERY CLEARLY DEFINED. AND THE
- 12 PEOPLE THAT VISITED US LAST WEEK COULD TELL VERY
- 13 CLEARLY WHAT WAS OUR PROPERTY.
- 14 NOW, IS THERE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT
- 15 THE DELINEATION OF THE PROPERTY? WE DID PLACE

THE

- 16 55-GALLON BARRELS WITH -- WHERE NECESSARY WE
- 17 PLACED CAUTIONARY TAPE, YELLOW CAUTIONARY TAPE.
- 18 SO IT'S VERY CLEAR TO TELL WHAT IS BTI AND WHAT

IS

- 19 WEAVER.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: IF I MIGHT JUST,

THE

- 21 CAUTIONARY TAPE IS PROBABLY GOOD FOR, YOU KNOW,
- 22 LIKE DETECTIVE CASES. BUT IN THE LONG RUN, YOU

| <b>∠</b> 3 | KNOW,  | IHAI . | S GOING | 5 10 | BTOM . | AWAY  | AND  | 50 V | VHAIL | VER  | _  |
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| 24         | ASSUMI | NG IF  | WE WER  | E TO | CONC   | UR TC | DAY, | ARE  | WE    | GOI  | NG |
| 25         | TO HAV | E SOME | MORE    | PERM | ANENT  | BOUN  | DARI | ES S | O TH  | AT : | ΙF |
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- 1 A SECTION BLOWS DOWN, THE ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE WILL
- 2 STILL KNOW YOUR AREA?
- 3 MR. BROWNTON: I'M WORKING WITH LOCAL
- 4 LEA'S AND -- IN DETERMINING EXACTLY WHAT TYPE OF
- 5 FENCING OR WHAT WOULD WORK BEST FOR THEM. WITHIN
- 6 A TWO-WEEK PERIOD, I DID PROMISE YOU THAT RIGHT
- 7 AFTER I LEFT HERE, I WOULD TAKE CARE OF THAT, AND
- 8 I DID NOT HAVE TIME TO REALLY GET INTO ANY
- 9 PERMANENT STRUCTURE. BUT FOR TEMPORARILY, IT
- 10 MARKS IT VERY CLEARLY. AND ED PADILLA WILL HELP
- 11 ME IN DETERMINING EXACTLY HOW TO MAKE THIS
- 12 PERMANENT AND GREAT.
- OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: JUST ONE. THE
- 15 DELINEATION OF THE PROPERTY NOW, IS IT GOING TO
- 16 KEEP BOTH ENTITIES' MATERIALS COMPLETELY
- 17 SEGREGATED? WEAVER'S MATERIAL IS NOT GOING TO BE
- 18 ON YOUR OPERATING AREA. YOURS ISN'T GOING TO BE
- 19 ON WEAVER'S OPERATING AREA.
- MR. BROWNTON: ABSOLUTELY.
- 21 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
- 22 THE -- TERRY SMITH HAS NOTED THAT
- 23 THE RCSI HAS BEEN REVISED TO NOTE THAT IT IS A
- 24 TENANT-LEASE RELATIONSHIP AND THAT THERE IS
- 25 ABSOLUTELY NO PLACE ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BTI

- 1 AND WEAVER INDUSTRIES. THEY ARE TWO COMPLETELY
- 2 SEPARATE HELD COMPANIES.
- 3 AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS COVERS THE
- 4 ISSUES THAT WE TALKED ABOUT LAST WEEK -- TWO WEEKS
- 5 AGO.
- 6 AND CRYSTAL QUINLY, WHO IS OUR
- 7 OUALITY CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER, IS HERE
- 8 TODAY. AND IF YOU HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR
- 9 ME, I WILL HAVE HER ADDRESS HER COMMUNICATIONS
- 10 WITH THE CITY CONCERNING DUST, FIRE, AND THE CUP.
- 11 IS THERE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR ME?
- 12 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION
- 13 TODAY.
- 14 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: CERTAINLY. MS.
- 15 CRYSTAL QUINLY.
- MS. QUINLY: CRYSTAL QUINLY. I DO HAVE A
- 17 LETTER FROM THE CITY OF MANTECA WHICH I HAD GIVEN
- 18 TO TERRY SMITH. AS FAR AS THE CUP, THE CITY HAS
- 19 STATED THERE WILL BE OR INDICATED THERE'S NO
- 20 PROBLEM WITH BTI RECEIVING OUR OWN CUP. THERE IS
- 21 NOT A SUBDIVISION REQUIRED, AND THAT WE WILL BE
- 22 ABLE TO CONTINUE OPERATING EVEN IF WEAVER'S USE
- 23 PERMIT IS REVOKED.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: COULD WE GET A COPY
- 25 OF THAT LETTER?

- 1 MS. QUINLY: YES.
- 2 AS FAR AS THE FIRE, I'VE ALSO SPOKEN
- 3 WITH RON WADDLE, WHO IS THE FIRE CHIEF FOR THE
- 4 CITY OF MANTECA. HE HAS INDICATED THAT, AGAIN, WE
- 5 ARE IN COMPLETE COMPLIANCE AND THAT WE WILL BE
- 6 ABLE TO COMPLY WITH ANY FIRE CONDITIONS THAT THEY
- 7 PUT ON BTI.
- 8 ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?
- 9 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: QUESTIONS? OKAY.
- 10 THANK YOU. NOW WE HAVE MR. JOHN HAYES.
- 11 MS. QUINLY: COULD I MENTION ONE MORE
- 12 THING ABOUT THE DUST? I JUST WANT TO BE SURE THAT
- 13 THE BOARD KNOWS THAT AS FAR AS ANY DUST, WE DO
- 14 HAVE DUST SUPPRESSION ON ALL OUR EQUIPMENT WHICH
- 15 INCLUDES A SCREEN AND BOTH COMPOST TURNERS.
- 16 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. MR. JOHN
- 17 HAYES.
- 18 MR. HAYES: I'M THE NEIGHBOR TO THE SITE
- 19 THERE. I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU GOT THAT ON THERE. I
- 20 LIVE RIGHT ABOUT THERE (INDICATING). AND WE GET
- 21 DUST JUST ABOUT EVERY DAY FROM THIS COMPANY. I
- 22 HAVE PICTURES HERE IF I COULD PASS THEM AROUND,
- 23 SHOWING FROM -- I GUESS THIS WOULD BE FROM THE
- 24 SOUTH OF THEIR PROPERTY LOOKING NORTH AT OUR
- 25 HOUSE, AND YOU CAN'T EVEN HARDLY SEE THE HOUSE

- 1 BECAUSE OF THE DUST.
- 2 AND I ALSO HAVE PICTURES OF MY
- 3 SHEDS. THERE'S A COUPLE OF SHEDS OUT THERE. AND
- 4 THE SAWDUST IS COVERING ALL OVER INSIDE OF THE
- 5 SHEDS.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER GOTCH: MR. HAYES, I MISSED
- 7 WHERE YOU SAID THAT YOUR HOME WAS. IS THAT IN
- 8 RELATION TO THIS MAP?
- 9 MR. HAYES: YEAH. RIGHT ABOUT HERE
- 10 (INDICATING).
- 11 BOARD MEMBER GOTCH: OKAY. THANK YOU.
- 12 MR. HAYES: HERE'S A COVER -- A PICTURE
- 13 OF MY BOAT WHICH IS COVERED, HAS A COVER OVER THE
- 14 TOP OF IT, BUT THE SAWDUST STILL GETS UNDERNEATH
- 15 THE BOAT COVER ITSELF.
- AND ALSO, HERE'S A PICTURE OF ONE OF
- 17 THEIR EQUIPMENTS, WHICH I BELIEVE IT TURNS THE
- 18 STUFF. AND YOU CAN SEE THE DUST GOING UP IN THE
- 19 AIR, WHICH BLOWS OVER MY HOUSE.
- 20 MY NEXT SET OF PICTURES IS A PICTURE
- OF MY TRUCK COVERED WITH SAWDUST. AND HERE'S A
- 22 PICTURE OF THEIR EQUIPMENT DOING SOMETHING. I'M
- 23 NOT SURE WHAT THEY'RE DOING OVER THERE BECAUSE YOU
- 24 CAN'T SEE THE EQUIPMENT, BUT YOU SEE THE SAWDUST
- 25 START BLOWING UP IN THE AIR. AND IF YOU KEEP

- 1 LOOKING AT THE PICTURES, YOU CAN SEE WHERE IT GOES
- 2 OVER THE TOP OF A BIG OLD MOUND OF DIRT, AND IT'S
- 3 HEADED RIGHT TOWARDS THE HOUSE. THE WIND ALMOST
- 4 EVERY DAY BLOWS TOWARDS OUR HOUSE FROM THAT
- 5 DIRECTION.
- 6 AND HERE'S ANOTHER SET. I GOT THE
- 7 DATE ON THESE HERE. ON THE 27TH AND 28TH OF JUNE,
- 8 THE WIND WAS VERY HEAVY, AND HERE'S MY TRUCK AFTER
- 9 ONE HOUR. I TOOK A PICTURE OF THE WINDOW AND ONE
- 10 PICTURE WHERE THE WINDSHIELD WIPER WOULD BE. I
- 11 PULLED UP THE WINDSHIELD WIPER AND PUT ENVELOPES
- 12 BEHIND THE WINDSHIELD, AND YOU CAN SEE THE SAWDUST
- 13 AFTER ONE HOUR.
- 14 AND THEN OVER THOSE TWO DAYS, THE
- 15 SAWDUST WAS SO HEAVY, IT WAS COMING IN THROUGH THE
- 16 WINDOWS AND STUFF. AND HERE'S THE INSIDE OF THE
- 17 HOUSE WHERE YOU CAN SEE IT ON. I HAVE A BLACK --
- 18 IT'S A CASE ABOUT THIS HIGH (INDICATING), AND
- 19 ANYHOW, YOU CAN SEE THE SAWDUST ON THERE AFTER TWO
- DAYS.
- I HAVE ALSO SENT A COUPLE OF LETTERS
- 22 OUT TO AIR POLLUTION CONTROL WHICH -- WELL, IF I
- 23 START AT THE BEGINNING HERE, WHEN THEY FIRST MOVED
- 24 IN, THEY PUT SOME PILES RIGHT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF
- 25 OUR FENCE FROM OUR HOUSE, AND FOR ABOUT EIGHT

- 1 MONTHS TO A YEAR AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH I ASKED
- 2 THEM IF THEY COULD MOVE THOSE PILES BECAUSE IT WAS
- 3 LIKE SNOWING AT OUR HOUSE EVERY DAY. AND THEY
- 4 KEPT GIVING ME THE RUNAROUND. "OH, YEAH. WE'RE
- 5 GOING TO GET RID OF IT. WE'RE GOING TO GET RID OF
- 6 IT. WE'RE WAITING FOR THIS OR WAITING FOR THAT."
- 7 AND NEVER DID IT. SO I CALLED AIR POLLUTION
- 8 CONTROL, AND THEY CAME OUT AND TALKED TO THEM AND
- 9 EVENTUALLY THEY DID MOVE THE PRODUCT TO THE OTHER
- 10 SIDE OF THE BUILDINGS.
- 11 SO WE STILL KEEP HAVING PROBLEMS
- 12 WITH SAWDUST COMING OVER THERE, SO I WROTE SOME
- 13 LETTERS TO AIR POLLUTION CONTROL, SENT THEM TO
- 14 WEAVER INDUSTRIES, AND NEVER GOT ANY REPLY FROM
- 15 WEAVER INDUSTRIES WHATSOEVER. AIR POLLUTION
- 16 CONTROL CAME OUT AND SAID, "WELL, WE'LL DO WHAT

WE

17 CAN DO. WE TRY TO WORK WITH THE COMPANY FIRST

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- 18 SOLVING THE PROBLEM."
- 19 AND THEY TOLD -- THE WEAVERS TOLD
- THEM THEY'RE WATERING DOWN THE ROADS AND STUFF

AND

- 21 TRYING TO MAKE IT LOOK LIKE THEY'RE REALLY DOING
- 22 SOMETHING TO ATTEMPT KEEPING THE SAWDUST ON

THEIR

| 23    | OWN  | PROPER | RTY.  | BUT  | ALL A           | ACTUAI | LITY, | IF   | YOU | LOOK | AΓ       |
|-------|------|--------|-------|------|-----------------|--------|-------|------|-----|------|----------|
| 24    | IT,  | THEY 1 | NEVER | WATE | ER DOV          | WN BY  | OUR   | HOUS | SE. | VERY | <u>-</u> |
| 25    | SELD | OM WE  | EVER  | SEE  | $\mathtt{THAT}$ | AREA   | WATE  | RED  | . Т | HEY  |          |
| WATER |      |        |       |      |                 |        |       |      |     |      |          |

- 1 BY THEIR OFFICE ALMOST EVERY DAY. AND THE STUFF
- 2 STILL COMES OVER.
- 3 AND HERE'S A COPY OF THE LETTERS.
- 4 AND ON THE LAST LETTER HERE, I HAVE MARKED EVERY
- 5 DAY WHETHER IT WAS -- THE SAWDUST WAS LIGHT,
- 6 MEDIUM, HEAVY, OR NONE. AND OUT OF THE WHOLE
- 7 MONTH OF JUNE THERE, THERE'S ONLY THREE DAYS WHEN
- 8 WE DIDN'T GET ANY SAWDUST AT ALL.
- 9 AND ON, I BELIEVE IT WAS, LAST
- 10 TUESDAY, WHEN THEY HAD THAT MEETING IN MANTECA, I
- 11 ASKED THE FIREMAN IF THERE WAS -- IF THERE WAS A
- 12 FIRE OVER THERE, WOULD THERE -- WOULD MY HOUSE BE
- 13 IN DANGER. AND HIS QUOTE IS IN THIS NEWSPAPER
- 14 RIGHT HERE SAYING HE COULD NOT GUARANTEE THAT WE
- 15 WOULDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM AT OUR HOUSE. AND AT THAT
- 16 TIME I COULD HAVE SWORE THAT IT WAS ALSO SAID THAT
- 17 THEY WERE NOT IN COMPLIANCE. HERE'S A COPY OF
- 18 THAT PAPER HERE. I DON'T HAVE IT HIGHLIGHTED, BUT
- 19 IT'S RIGHT HERE (INDICATING).
- 20 SO BASICALLY, LIKE I SAY, WE'RE
- 21 GETTING SAWDUST EVERY DAY PRETTY MUCH. AND
- 22 WEAVERS HAS NOT MADE ANY ATTEMPT TO SOLVE THE
- 23 PROBLEM WITH ME. WHETHER HE'S DOING IT ON HIS OWN
- 24 OVER THERE, I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING HAPPENING WITH
- 25 IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

- 1 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: QUESTIONS OF MR.
- 2 HAYES?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: YES, I DO. ARE YOU
- 4 AWARE THAT THIS IS NOT WEAVER'S PERMIT THAT WE'RE
- 5 HEARING TODAY?
- 6 MR. HAYES: NO.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: AND THAT THE PERMIT
- 8 THAT WE'RE HEARING, BTI, MY OBSERVATION OF THE
- 9 SITE AND MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THEY DO NOT USE
- 10 ANY SAWDUST, THAT THE SAWDUST IS OFF THE PARCEL IN
- 11 OUESTION. AND I OBSERVED THAT SITE AND YOUR HOUSE
- 12 AND THE NEARNESS TO IT, BUT THAT'S NOT THE SUBJECT
- OF THIS PERMIT. IT'S A SEPARATE PARCEL, AND THE
- 14 WEAVER PERMIT IS NOT BEFORE US.
- 15 MR. HAYES: NO, I WASN'T AWARE OF THAT.
- 16 ALSO, WHEN I SAY SAWDUST, I DON'T MEAN JUST THE
- 17 SAWDUST. IT'S ALSO THE PARTICLES FROM ALL

### THAT

- 18 GROUND GREEN WASTE THAT'S OUT THERE.
- 19 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: ANY ADDITIONAL
- 20 QUESTIONS?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: JUST ON THAT,

#### YOU

22 ANSWERED THE SAME -- I WAS ABOUT TO ASK THE

## SAME

THING, IF IT WAS SAWDUST YOU SAW. DOES BTI'S

OPERATION USE SAWDUST? AND IF NOT, THEN IS
THIS
COMING OFF THE WEAVER PORTION AND MAYBE WE

COULD

- 1 HEAR --
- 2 MR. HAYES: IT COMES FROM ALL OF IT.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: -- FROM BOTH THE
- 4 OPERATOR AND THE LEA ON THIS.
- 5 MR. HAYES: IT'S HARD TO TELL EXACTLY
- 6 WHERE IT'S COMING FROM. I MEAN SOMETIMES YOU CAN
- 7 SEE THE WIND -- WHEN IT'S REALLY WINDY, YOU CAN
- 8 SEE IT'S ACTUALLY SAWDUST BECAUSE THE SAWDUST IS
- 9 MORE OF A YELLOWISH COLOR. AND THAT'S COMING

### FROM

- 10 THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BUILDINGS, AND YOU CAN
- 11 ACTUALLY SEE IT COMING OVER THE BUILDINGS. MOST
- 12 OF THE TIME IT'S STUFF COMING OUT OF THE BACK. I
- 13 DON'T KNOW WHOSE PRODUCT IT IS.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: WE'RE NOT
- 15 QUESTIONING WHETHER YOU HAVE A PROBLEM. THESE
- 16 PICTURES INDICATE YOU PROBABLY HAVE A PROBLEM.
- 17 BUT WE DON'T -- AS MR. FRAZEE SAID, WE'RE DEALING
- 18 WITH A 20-ACRE OPERATION WITHIN A LARGER AREA
- 19 WHERE LOTS OF MATERIAL IS STORED. AND WHAT IS OF
- 20 INTEREST TO US HERE ON THIS PERMIT, IS THIS A

### DUST

- 21 PROBLEM FROM THE BTI OPERATION? OR DOES THE LEA
- 22 AND THE -- DO WE FEEL THAT THE DUST IS RESULTING
- 23 FROM THE REST OF THE PROPERTY? BECAUSE THAT

ISN'T

| 24 | OUR | FOCUS | HERI  | E TODAY | , THE | R. | EST. |   |       |      |
|----|-----|-------|-------|---------|-------|----|------|---|-------|------|
| 25 |     | M     | IR. H | AYES:   | LIKE  | I  | SAY, | I | DON'T | KNOW |

- 1 EXACTLY WHERE IT'S COMING FROM AS FAR AS WHOSE IS
- 2 WHAT OVER THERE. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I EVER
- 3 SEEN A SPLIT OF WEAVER AND BTI TO BEGIN WITH. I
- 4 KNOW IT'S COMING FROM THE BACK BACK THERE.
- 5 WHETHER IT'S THEIR PRODUCT OR NOT, I DON'T KNOW.
- 6 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. ADDITIONAL
- 7 QUESTIONS OF MR. HAYES? THANK YOU, MR. HAYES.
- 8 MR. HAYES: THANK YOU.
- 9 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: NOW WE'LL HEAR FROM
- 10 EVAN EDGAR.
- MR. EDGAR: GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN AND
- 12 BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS EVAN EDGAR ON BEHALF OF
- 13 THE CALIFORNIA REFUSE REMOVAL COUNCIL,
- 14 REPRESENTING 15 PERMITTED COMPOST FACILITIES
- 15 STATEWIDE AND FOUR PERMITTED COMPOST FACILITIES
- 16 WITHIN THE IMMEDIATE REGION.
- 17 TODAY I RECOMMEND NOT TO CONCUR WITH
- 18 THE PERMIT. I RECOMMEND THE OPERATOR TO WITHDRAW
- 19 THE PERMIT AND RESUBMIT IT WHEN HE COMES BACK WITH
- 20 A CUP SEPARATE FOR THE BTI FACILITY. APPARENTLY
- 21 THE CITY INDICATED THAT IT'S POSSIBLE. AND I
- 22 THINK THAT WHEN HE HAS THAT PERMIT, THAT WOULD BE
- 23 A GREAT TIME TO RESUBMIT AND COME BACK IN FRONT OF
- 24 THIS BOARD AND GET CONCURRENCE.
- 25 WHY AM I RECOMMENDING NOT TO CONCUR?

- 1 WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I WAS AT THE MEETING AT THE
- 2 CITY OF MANTECA WITH THE CUP HEARING. AND CITY OF
- 3 MANTECA PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO REVOKE
- 4 THE CUP BASED UPON SEVERAL CONDITIONS. A LOT OF
- 5 THOSE CONDITIONS ARE OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THIS
- 6 WASTE BOARD. THE WASTE BOARD AUTHORITY IS RATHER
- 7 NARROW WITH REGARDS TO WHAT GOES ON AT COMPOST
- 8 FACILITIES AND URBAN GREEN WASTE CHIP AND SHIP
- 9 FACILITIES.
- 10 ONE OF THE REASONS WHY THE CITY OF
- 11 MANTECA PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED TO REVOKE
- 12 THE CUP WAS LACK OF COMPLIANCE ON FIRE CONTROL.
- 13 IF YOU LOOK AT ARTICLE 6, SECTION 17867, PART
- 14 (B)(1), IT SAYS THAT THE OPERATOR SHALL PROVIDE
- 15 FIRE PREVENTION PROTECTION AND CONTROL MEASURES,
- 16 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TEMPERATURE CONTROL
- 17 AS WELL AS ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR FIRE
- 18 SUPPRESSION AND ISOLATION OF POTENTIAL IGNITION
- 19 SOURCES FROM COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS.
- 20 WHEN I WAS IN THE CITY OF MANTECA
- 21 HEARING, IT WAS RATHER EVIDENT THAT THERE WAS NO
- 22 FIRE CONTROL OVER THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES. I
- 23 RECOGNIZE IT'S A 20-ACRE OPERATIONAL AREA WITHIN
- 24 AN 80-ACRE PARCEL, BUT THE ENTIRE SITE, BECAUSE
- 25 THE CUP IS FOR THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES.

- 1 AND DURING THE TESTIMONY TIM WEAVER,
- THE OPERATOR, AFTER EIGHT MONTHS OF KNOWING THAT
- 3 HE WAS OUT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CUP, AFTER SIX
- 4 MONTHS OF BEING PUT ON NOTICE BY THE CITY OF
- 5 MANTECA, RECOGNIZED HE WAS NOT IN FIRE CONTROL
- 6 COMPLIANCE. DURING THE MEETING THE FIRE CHIEF
- 7 SAID HE NEEDED TO HAVE 3,500 GALLONS PER MINUTE.
- 8 AND DURING THE MEETING, THEY TRIED TO DEVISE SOME
- 9 PLAN ON THE BACK OF A NAPKIN THAT MAY OR MAY NOT
- 10 WORK, BUT IT DIDN'T WORK. THEY DO NOT HAVE FIRE
- 11 CONTROL.
- 12 AND THAT'S ONE OF THE KEY REASONS
- 13 WHY THE CUP WAS INTENDED TO BE REVOKED. THERE
- 14 WILL BE A HEARING NEXT FRIDAY WITH -- TO REVOKE
- 15 THE CUP WITH FINDINGS. THEN THE OPERATOR HAS TEN
- 16 DAYS TO APPEAL.
- 17 WHAT I DIDN'T HEAR TODAY WAS THAT
- 18 THE FIRE CONTROL WAS IN PLACE. BTI REPRESENTA-
- 19 TIVES SAID THAT THEY'RE WORKING WITH THE FIRE
- 20 CHIEF, BUT IS THE FIRE CONTROL IN PLACE

## TODAY FOR

- 21 ANY FIRE CONTROL HAZARDS? NO, IT'S NOT.
- SO
- 22 THAT'S A KEY TITLE 14 CONDITION THAT THIS

# BOARD

23 NEEDS TO RECOGNIZE WITH OR WITHOUT THE

CUP.

24 I THINK WITH REGARDS TO THE

DUST

25 CONTROL, THAT 80 ACRES, WE DO HAVE 20

ACRES CARVED

- 1 OUT WITH REGARDS TO SOME FIRE TAPE OR SOME
- 2 EMERGENCY TAPE, BUT I DON'T THINK THE WIND
- 3 RECOGNIZES DIFFERENT OPERATIONAL AREAS BASED UPON
- 4 THAT TYPE OF DELINEATION. I BELIEVE THE
- 5 CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF THESE 80 ACRES IS
- 6 CONTRIBUTING TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY
- 7 PROBLEM NEXT DOOR. I DON'T THINK YOU CAN REALLY
- 8 SEPARATE 20 ACRES FROM 80 ACRES AND SAY THAT ONLY
- 9 60 ACRES ARE CONTRIBUTING TO A PROBLEM WHEN THE
- 10 ENTIRE SITE IS.
- 11 BASICALLY THAT'S MY TESTIMONY TODAY.
- 12 IT WAS VERY FOCUSED, JUST ON TITLE 14 WITHIN YOUR
- 13 AUTHORITY. ONCE AGAIN, I URGE YOU NOT TO CONCUR
- 14 WITH THE PERMIT FOR VALID REASONS. AND I BELIEVE
- 15 THAT WHEN THE CITY OF MANTECA HAS A NEW CUP FOR
- 16 BTI WITH FIRE CONTROL IN PLACE, IT WILL BE A GREAT
- 17 TIME FOR THE OPERATOR TO COME BACK IN FRONT OF
- 18 THIS BOARD AND GET A NEW PERMIT.
- 19 MEANWHILE, ON THE OTHER 60 ACRES, WE
- 20 DO HAVE THAT EXISTING CHIP AND SHIP FACILITY, WE
- 21 HAVE TITLE 14 REGULATIONS IN PLACE, THERE'S A LOT
- 22 OF PROBLEMS OVER THERE, AND THERE'S TOTAL LACK OF
- 23 ENFORCEMENT ON ANY EFFORT TO PUT THE WEAVER
- 24 FACILITY BACK INTO ANY TYPE OF COMPLIANCE WITH
- 25 EXISTING REGULATIONS. THAT'S A WHOLE ANOTHER

- 1 ISSUE. BUT BECAUSE OF THAT ISSUE, THAT'S WHY I'M
- 2 HERE TODAY, AS WELL AS THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF
- 3 THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES. I THANK YOU FOR THE
- 4 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY AND HAVE THE SPECIAL
- 5 HEARING.
- 6 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: QUESTIONS OF MR.
- 7 EDGAR?
- 8 MR. CHANDLER: MR. PENNINGTON, I HAVE A
- 9 QUESTION. I GUESS I WANT TO ASK MR. EDGAR. YOU
- 10 JUST OUTLINED THE CITY'S OBSERVATIONS OR FINDINGS
- 11 RELATIVE TO THE VIOLATIONS UNDER THIS CODE. AND I
- 12 GUESS MY QUESTION IS ARE YOU INDICATING THAT THERE
- 13 WAS AN ATTEMPT OR THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO
- 14 DISTINGUISH THOSE VIOLATIONS BETWEEN THE WEAVER
- 15 OPERATIONS AND THE BTI OPERATIONS?
- MR. EDGAR: GOOD QUESTION. THE HEARING
- 17 LASTED FOR TWO, TWO AND A HALF HOURS LAST TUESDAY
- 18 NIGHT, AND THE CUP IS FOR THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES.
- 19 THERE WAS NO DISTINCTION WITH REGARDS TO
- 20 SEPARATING THE TWO. THEY HAD A WHOLE LIST OF
- 21 FINDINGS THAT THEY MADE, AND TUESDAY THEY'RE GOING
- 22 TO HAVE THEM IN WRITING AND TO ADOPT THOSE
- 23 FINDINGS.
- 24 BUT -- AND THERE WAS NO DIFFERENCE
- 25 BETWEEN THE BTI OR THE WEAVER FACILITY THAT I

- 1 UNDERSTOOD BECAUSE THE CONDITION WAS FOR THE
- 2 ENTIRE 80 ACRES. BUT TODAY I ONLY MENTIONED THE
- 3 FIRE BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT'S PERTINENT TO THIS
- 4 BOARD. I DIDN'T MENTION THE OTHER 30 THINGS THAT
- 5 ARE PENDING.
- 6 MR. CHANDLER: BUT THERE WASN'T ANY
- 7 DISCUSSION OR AN ATTEMPT TO DISTINGUISH IN LISTING
- 8 THESE VIOLATIONS WHICH APPLIED TO WHICH OPERATION
- 9 AT THE SITE?
- MR. EDGAR: BECAUSE WEAVER WAS THE
- 11 LEASEHOLDER OF THE SITE AND THE PRIME HOLDER, HE
- 12 ANSWERED ALL THE QUESTIONS. BTI WAS THERE AND DID
- 13 HAVE SOME COMMENTS. BUT WITH REGARDS TO THE CITY
- 14 OF MANTECA AND THE QUESTIONING FROM THE PLANNING
- 15 COMMISSION, IT FOCUSED ON THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES AND
- 16 THE CUP CONDITIONS FOR THOSE 80 ACRES.
- 17 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: IF I READ THIS
- 18 LETTER CORRECTLY, THAT THE WEAVER CUP IS
- 19 PROBABLY -- HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED TO BE REVOKED BY
- 20 THE CITY COUNCIL. AND NOW THE CITY DEPUTY
- 21 DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT IS SAYING
- 22 THAT BTI CAN COME BACK IN AND GET A CUP FOR THE
- 23 ENTIRE 80 ACRES, SO IT'S SORT OF SWAPPING, ISN'T
- 24 IT?
- MR. EDGAR: I BELIEVE THAT WEAVER

- 1 INDUSTRIES HAVE A PROVEN TRACK RECORD STATEWIDE OF
- 2 NONCOMPLIANCE AND DRAGGING THINGS OUT. BTI HAS A
- 3 LOT BETTER TRACK RECORD OF BEING A QUALITY COMPOST
- 4 OPERATOR. SO I BELIEVE THAT BY SWITCHING THINGS
- 5 OVER TO A NEW OPERATOR, I BELIEVE THEY'LL PROBABLY
- 6 GET THE COMPLIANCE THINGS THEY NEED IN ORDER TO
- 7 HAVE A FULLY PERMITTED -- I MEAN A PERMITTED
- 8 COMPOST FACILITY. BUT I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THE 20
- 9 OR 80 ACRES. I'M NOT SURE IF THE CITY OF MANTECA
- 10 IS GOING TO CARVE OUT 20 ACRES JUST FOR BTI OR
- 11 IT'S GOING TO BE THE ENTIRE 80 ACRES. I'M NOT
- 12 SURE OF THAT.
- 13 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: SO THE USE PERMIT
- 14 APPLICATION CONTINUES -- I MEAN CAN BE FOR THE
- 15 ENTIRE 80-ACRE SITE.
- MR. EDGAR: THAT DIDN'T COME UP DURING
- 17 THE HEARING.
- BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: OR A PORTION.
- 19 MR. EDGAR: I'M NOT SURE OF THE
- 20 PREFERENCE OF THE COMPOST OPERATOR.
- 21 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: ARE YOU GOING --
- BTI, ARE YOU GOING TO APPLY FOR JUST THE 20

#### ACRES?

- 23 MR. BROWNTON: WE WILL APPLY FOR A CUP
- 24 WHEN OR IF THE CITY OF MANTECA REVOKES WEAVER'S.
- OTHERWISE, RIGHT NOW IT'S FOR THE ENTIRE 80

ACRES.

- 1 THE 20 ACRES IS SPECIFICALLY UNDER THIS PERMIT.
- 2 WHAT WEAVER'S OPERATIONS ARE HAVE ABSOLUTELY
- 3 NOTHING TO DO WITH BTI EXCEPT FOR THE FACT WE ARE
- 4 SUBLEASING FROM WEAVER, WHO HOLDS THE CUP. IT IS
- 5 CURRENT TODAY, AND THAT'S THE REASON THAT WE ARE
- 6 APPLYING.
- 7 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: UNDERSTAND. BUT
- 8 WHEN -- IF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING
- 9 COMMITTEE IS TO REVOKE THE CUP AND THE CITY GOES
- 10 ALONG WITH THAT, THEN YOU WILL APPLY FOR A CUP.
- MR. BROWNTON: IMMEDIATELY.
- 12 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: BUT WILL YOU APPLY
- FOR ONLY THE 20 ACRES OR FOR THE FULL 80 ACRES?
- 14 MR. BROWNTON: I'LL HAVE TO ASK CRYSTAL
- 15 TO RESPOND TO THAT.
- 16 MS. QUINLY: WE WILL APPLY ONLY FOR THE
- 17 20 ACRES. AND THE CITY HAS INDICATED THAT THEY
- 18 WOULD DO THAT.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: WELL, MS. CRYSTAL -
- \_
- MS. QUINLY: CRYSTAL QUINLY.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: QUINLY. SORRY.
- WHILE YOU'RE UP THERE, YOU MADE THE STATEMENT
- THAT
- 23 THE FACILITY IS OPERATING WITH APPROPRIATE FIRE

24 CONTROLS.

MS. QUINLY: YES.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: WOULD YOU ELABORATE
- 2 ON THAT IN LIGHT OF WE HEARD JUST AN ASSERTION
- 3 THAT THERE ISN'T ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION.
- 4 MS. QUINLY: AS INDICATED BY THE FIRE
- 5 CHIEF IN MANTECA, BTI DOES HAVE FIRE CONTROL IN
- 6 PLACE.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: WHAT DOES AS
- 8 INDICATED MEAN? IS THAT A CONVERSATION? IS
- 9 THAT --
- 10 MS. QUINLY: YES. HE WAS ON SITE. I
- 11 HAVE SPOKE WITH HIM AT LEAST THREE TIMES SINCE
- 12 YOUR LAST MEETING AS A BOARD.
- BOARD MEMBER RELIS: COULD YOU DESCRIBE
- 14 THE SYSTEM?
- MS. QUINLY: WELL, WE DO HAVE THE WATER
- 16 TANK ON SITE. WE HAVE THREE WATER TRUCKS
- 17 AVAILABLE. WE KEEP OUR PILES MANAGED AND SMALL,
- 18 SO THERE IS NOT A FIRE HAZARD. AND ALSO, WE HAVE
- 19 LOADERS. LIKE I SAID, THE EMERGENCY FIRE PLAN IS
- 20 IN PLACE. ALL THE WATER IS AVAILABLE.
- BOARD MEMBER RELIS: SO LET ME JUST --
- THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WATERING A COMPOST
- 23 PILE FOR KEEPING THE MOISTURE CONTENT IN AND FIRE
- 24 SUPPRESSION. FIRE SUPPRESSION USUALLY HAS
- 25 PRESSURE HOSES, ETC. DO YOU HAVE THAT KIND OF

- 1 EQUIPMENT?
- MS. QUINLY: WE DO, BUT I COULD NOT TELL
- 3 YOU WHAT THE GALLONS PER HOUR IS.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: COULD ANYONE?
- 5 MR. BROWNTON: THE REQUIREMENT FROM THE
- 6 CITY OF MANTECA FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE 20 ACRES
- 7 OF COMPOSTING IS THAT WE HAVE 55-GALLON BARRELS
- 8 FULL OF WATER WITH SMALL PAILS TO EXTINGUISH
- 9 FIRES. THEY HAVE NOT REQUIRED US TO PUT FIRE
- 10 HYDRANTS ON THE 20-ACRE PROPERTY. I'M LOOKING FOR
- 11 THAT INFORMATION RIGHT NOW.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: OKAY. AND THAT'S
- 13 DELINEATED SOMEWHERE, THAT -- YOUR DESCRIPTION OF
- 14 YOUR FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM IS A SUBJECT OF A WRITTEN
- 15 UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CITY?
- 16 MR. BROWNTON: YES. IT IS IN THE PERMIT
- 17 FOR CUP WITH WEAVER INDUSTRIES AS AN INDEX TO
- 18 THEIR APPLICATION. IT STATES THAT THE COMPOSTING
- 19 YARD HAVE 55-GALLON BARRELS FULL OF WATER. AND
- 20 THAT IS WHAT WE DO HAVE THERE.
- I -- UNFORTUNATELY, I DON'T KNOW
- 22 THAT I BROUGHT THE PERMIT. SINCE IT'S A LOCAL
- 23 ISSUE, I DON'T KNOW THAT I BROUGHT THE PAPERWORK
- 24 FOR THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE. BUT THAT IS THE
- 25 STATEMENT, AND THAT IS WHY THE FIRE CHIEF TOLD

- 1 CRYSTAL THAT WE ARE WITHIN COMPLIANCE. NO DOUBT
- 2 THAT WEAVER IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE. I MEAN THERE'S
- 3 NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT. WE ARE ON OUR PROPERTY.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: COULD YOU STAY UP
- 5 THERE JUST FOR A SECOND, PLEASE? MR. CHAIRMAN.
- 6 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: SURE.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'D JUST LIKE TO ASK
- 8 A FEW QUESTIONS. THE WATER TANK AND THE THREE
- 9 WATER TRUCKS THAT YOU INDICATED, WHOSE ARE THOSE?
- 10 ARE THEY BTI'S OR WEAVER'S?
- 11 MR. BROWNTON: THEY ARE BTI'S. THE WATER
- 12 TANK IS PART OF OUR LEASE. IT'S PART OF THE
- 13 PROPERTY, BUT IT'S PART OF OUR LEASE THAT WE HAVE
- 14 ACCESS TO THAT WATER.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: THE CONCERNS THAT
- 16 THE HOMEOWNER BROUGHT UP, HAS THE LEA BEEN
- 17 INVOLVED IN THOSE CONCERNS, OR HAS BTI BEEN
- 18 INVOLVED IN THOSE ISSUES, OR DID HE GO TO THE
- 19 WRONG AGENCIES? HAS HE COME AND TALKED TO YOU
- ABOUT THESE THINGS, MR. HAYES?
- 21 MR. BROWNTON: YOU KNOW, HE HAS NOT
- 22 TALKED TO ME PERSONALLY. POSSIBLY CRYSTAL QUINLY.
- 23 BUT I CAN RESPOND TO HIS COMMENTS THAT HE MADE.
- 24 AND THAT IS THAT I AGREE WITH HIM 110 PERCENT. HE
- 25 HAS A DUST PROBLEM THERE. AND IT'S NOT FAIR TO

- 1 HIM THE WAY THAT WEAVER IS CONDUCTING THEIR
- 2 BUSINESS.
- 3 WE WORK ON A DAILY BASIS TO SUPPRESS
- 4 OUR DUST FROM OUR COMPOST TURNERS. AND I WILL NOT
- 5 SIT HERE AND TELL YOU THAT WE NEVER HAVE SOME DUST
- 6 COME OFF OUR COMPOST YARD. IF I DID, IT WOULD BE
- 7 RIDICULOUS. BUT WE ARE WORKING ON IT ALL THE
- 8 TIME. AND IF HE HAS -- AND IT'S VERY HARD TO
- 9 DISTINGUISH BETWEEN COMPOSTED MATERIAL, SAWDUST --
- 10 AND I KNOW WHAT HE MEANS BY SAWDUST. ANYTHING
- 11 THAT FLIES IN THE AIR, TO ME, IS SAWDUST TOO.
- 12 WITH WEAVER'S OPERATION OF CHIPPING
- 13 AND GRINDING, ALL THAT STUFF LOOKS THE SAME OVER
- 14 THERE. AND WHATEVER GETS ON YOUR CAR OR IN YOUR
- 15 HOUSE IS NOT NICE. AND THAT'S WHY WEAVER NEEDS TO
- 16 COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS SET FOR THEIR CUP. WE
- 17 ARE COMPLYING.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: YOU KNOW, I KNOW
- 19 THIS ISN'T A COMFORTABLE SITUATION TO GO THROUGH,
- 20 BUT, YOU KNOW, WE'VE -- I WENT OUT TO YOUR SITE.
- 21 I TOLD YOU AT THE LAST MEETING I THINK YOU RUN A
- 22 NICE SITE. I THINK YOUR PRODUCT IS GOOD. YOU
- 23 KNOW, WE CAN'T PICK OUR RELATIVES, BUT WE CAN PICK
- OUR FRIENDS AND WHO WE DO BUSINESS WITH. AND SO
- 25 THAT'S NOT MY CHOICE. THAT WAS BTI'S CHOICE AS TO

- 1 WHO TO GET HOOKED UP WITH OR WHO TO SUBLEASE FROM.
- 2 WHAT I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IS, AS AN
- 3 OPERATOR, I ALWAYS TRY TO KEEP MY NEIGHBORS HAPPY.
- 4 I MEAN I BUILT MRF'S WITHIN A HUNDRED YARDS OR A
- 5 HUNDRED FEET REALLY OF NEIGHBORS. THEY NEVER
- 6 COMPLAINED BECAUSE YOU DO THINGS TO MAKE SURE THAT
- 7 THEY'RE NOT IMPACTED BY THE SITUATION.
- 8 THIS A LITTLE BIT HARDER BECAUSE
- 9 YOU'VE GOT A 20-ACRE CARVED OUT FACILITY OF AN
- 10 80-ACRE DISASTER. AND HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THIS
- 11 ISSUE? ONE THING I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY THE
- 12 SAWDUST IS EVEN BEING DONE THERE NEXT TO THE
- 13 NEIGHBOR WHERE HE DOES HIS SAWDUST GRINDING, WHY
- 14 IT'S NOT DONE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PROPERTY
- 15 WHERE THERE IS NO IMPACT TO THE RESIDENTS. BUT I
- 16 MEAN THAT'S A WEAVER ISSUE, BUT MR. HAYES HAS
- 17 REALLY VALID CONCERNS. THOSE PICTURES ARE
- 18 DISTURBING.
- 19 AND THERE IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE

#### DUST

- 20 COMING OFF COMPOSTING, AND WE'RE PROMOTING
- 21 COMPOSTING. I MEAN WE UNDERSTAND THAT THAT'S
- 22 WHERE WE'RE GOING TO GET -- HOW WE'RE GOING TO

### GET

- 23 TO THE 50-PERCENT GOAL. SO I FULLY APPRECIATE
- 24 WHAT YOU ARE TRYING TO DO THERE, BUT -- YOU

KNOW,
25 I HAVE -- I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE TREATMENT,
YOU

- 1 KNOW, TO THE NEIGHBORS AND WHAT THAT DOES TO THE
- 2 INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE. YOU KNOW, IT DOESN'T TAKE
- 3 VERY MANY BAD ACTORS. AND I'M NOT SAYING YOU'RE
- 4 ONE OF THEM. I'M SAYING YOU'RE GOOD ACTOR. BUT
- 5 IT DOESN'T TAKE VERY MANY TO RUIN A REPUTATION AND
- 6 RUIN A WHOLE STREAM OF PROCESSING THAT WE NEED TO
- 7 GET TO 50 PERCENT.
- 8 SO I DON'T KNOW HOW WE ADDRESS THE
- 9 ISSUES OF MR. HAYES. I DON'T KNOW IF THE LEA CAN
- 10 PUT A CONDITION OR DO SOMETHING. I MEAN IF
- 11 THEY'RE NOT WATERING THEIR AREA OR NOT DOING THOSE
- 12 TYPES OF THINGS -- I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH
- 13 INCIDENTAL DUST, OKAY, IT'S JUST PART OF LIFE.
- 14 BUT SOME OF THIS STUFF DOESN'T LOOK INCIDENTAL.
- 15 IT LOOKS LIKE BLATANT DISREGARD BY YOUR -- WHO
- 16 YOU'RE SUBLEASING FROM MAYBE, YOU KNOW, TO JUST
- 17 DISREGARD WHAT MR. HAYES IS EVEN TALKING ABOUT.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: I WONDER IF I COULD
- 19 SAY A WORD ON THAT. MR. JONES, IT SEEMS TO ME
- 20 WHAT WE'VE GOT HERE, OKAY, IS AN OPERATION WITHIN
- 21 AN OPERATION. THE WITHIN THE LARGER OPERATION HAS
- 22 BEEN OPERATING AS A BONA FIDE COMPOSTING FACILITY
- 23 MEETING STATE MINIMUM STANDARDS. IF THEY WERE TO
- 24 GO OUT OF BUSINESS TOMORROW, THE FUNDAMENTAL
- 25 SITUATION THERE WOULD NOT CHANGE BECAUSE THE

- 1 WEAVER PROBLEM IS THE PROBLEM HERE, AS I HEAR
- 2 STAFF AND HAVE HEARD THE ACCOUNTS OF VISITATIONS.
- 3 AND OUR PROBLEM IS WITH WEAVER. AND
- 4 WE DEVELOPED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO GO AFTER
- 5 THESE STORAGE PROBLEMS. THIS GUY IS A BAD ACTOR.
- 6 HE SHOULDN'T BE OPERATING. HE COLLECTED MONEY
- 7 FROM PEOPLE, PRESUMABLY, TO BRING MATERIAL IN AND
- 8 PROCESS. IT'S NOT UNLIKE THE FACILITY WE DEALT
- 9 WITH A MONTH AGO OR TWO IN SAN BERNARDINO. AND I
- 10 THINK WE HAVE TO ASK OURSELF THE QUESTION WHERE
- 11 WOULD THE HARM LIE? IF WE WERE TO NOT ACCEPT THIS
- 12 PERMIT, WE WOULD SEE A BONA FIDE OPERATION GO OUT
- 13 OF BUSINESS UNTIL SUCH TIME WHEN SOME CONDITIONAL
- 14 USE THING GETS WORKED OUT, WHICH I WOULD HATE TO
- 15 SEE. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT WILL DO NOTHING TO
- 16 AFFECT THE WEAVER SITUATION.
- 17 SO THAT'S HOW I WOULD FRAME THE
- 18 PREDICAMENT. I DON'T LIKE THE FACT -- I THINK YOU
- 19 DID PICK A BAD PARTNER. THAT'S REFLECTING ON YOU.
- 20 I THINK THAT'S UNFORTUNATE, BUT YOU DID. AND WE
- 21 CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HELP YOU ON THAT SCORE. AND
- 22 THAT WILL PROBABLY -- EVEN IF THIS BOARD SUPPORTS
- 23 YOUR PERMIT, YOU WILL STILL BE DEALING WITH THE
- 24 FALLOUT OF THAT WEAVER SITUATION.
- 25 SO I JUST HOPE IN SPEAKING TO THE

- 1 WEAVER SITE, WHICH IS NOT THE PERMIT BEFORE US,
- 2 THAT WE CAN USE EVERY POSSIBLE ENFORCEMENT TOOL TO
- 3 GET THAT MESS TAKEN CARE OF. IT'S A BLIGHT ON THE
- 4 COMPOST INDUSTRY. IT'S A BLIGHT ON LEGITIMATE
- 5 OPERATIONS. IT'S A THREAT TO THE BOARD'S MEETING
- 6 ITS DIVERSION REQUIREMENT. SO I'LL LEAVE IT
- 7 THERE.
- 8 MR. BROWNTON: IN MY RESPONSE, FIRST, TO
- 9 MR. JONES, I AGREE WITH YOU AND MR. RELIS ALSO,
- 10 THAT WE CHOSE A POOR PARTNER. AND WE DIDN'T
- 11 REALIZE THAT UNTIL WE GOT DOWN THE ROAD A LITTLE
- 12 BIT, AND WE STARTED IN JANUARY TO CHANGE TO
- 13 SEPARATE. AND IF YOU HAVE -- I'M JUST THINKING OF
- 14 AN ANALOGY. IF YOU HAVE A MOUSE IN THE WALL AND
- 15 YOU TAKE THE CAT AWAY FROM THE HOLE, THEN THE
- 16 MOUSE IS GOING TO GO ALL OVER THE PLACE. I THINK
- 17 WITH US BEING THERE, WE CAN BE AN EXAMPLE AND HELP
- 18 WEAVER. AND BELIEVE ME, I HAVE A FAMILY TOO. AND
- 19 WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH WEAVER CONSTANTLY TO TRY
- 20 TO GET THAT SIDE OF THE PROPERTY CLEANED, AND WE
- JUST HAVE GOTTEN NOWHERE.
- SO WE NEED SOME HELP. WE NEED HELP
- 23 FROM THE LEA. BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY WE NEED THE
- 24 HELP FROM THE STATE INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT
- 25 BOARD TO APPROVE OUR PERMIT AND LOOK OUTSIDE OF

- 1 THE CUP ISSUES, THE FIRE ISSUES, AND THOSE LOCAL
- 2 ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO BE TAKEN CARE OF RIGHT
- 3 THERE AT HOME. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS,
- 4 ACCORDING TO THE PRC, WE ARE -- HAVE COVERED EVERY
- 5 BASE AS FAR AS BEING A -- HAVING A STANDARDIZED
- 6 COMPOSTING OPERATION.
- 7 AND WE REALIZE -- WE'RE NOT
- 8 CONDONING THE SITUATIONS THAT ARE HAPPENING THERE
- 9 AT THAT 80-ACRE SITE. AND I WILL DO ALL I CAN AND
- 10 OUR STAFF TO HELP CLEAN UP THE EMBARRASSMENT OF AN
- 11 80-ACRE SITE, THAT 20 ACRES OF IT LOOKS GREAT.
- 12 WE'LL TAKE -- WE'LL HELP DO THE OTHER 60. BUT IF
- 13 WE'RE NOT THERE, THE DUST PROBLEM IS GOING TO
- 14 REALLY BE BAD BECAUSE THERE AIN'T GOING TO BE
- 15 ANYBODY THERE TO TAKE CARE OF IT. SO, YOU KNOW,
- 16 BASED ON THESE PRC REGULATIONS, I THINK WE NEED TO
- 17 CONCUR WITH THIS PERMIT.
- 18 IS THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
- MS. TOBIAS: MR. CHAIR, I DON'T HAVE ANY
- 20 MORE QUESTIONS, BUT I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS
- 21 TO TRY AND CLARIFY A COUPLE POINTS. ONE IS I
- 22 WOULD LIKE TO SAY, JUST TO TRY TO CLARIFY THIS
- 23 ISSUE OF THE USE PERMITS, WHEN WE DID THE
- 24 REGULATIONS FOR THESE TYPES OF PROJECTS, WE DID
- 25 NOT INCLUDE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AS A

- 1 REQUIREMENT OF THE PROJECT APPLICATION BECAUSE IT
- 2 DIFFERS SUBSTANTIALLY FROM JURISDICTION TO
- 3 JURISDICTION AS TO WHETHER THEY REQUIRE A USE
- 4 PERMIT FOR THESE KINDS OF ACTIVITIES. AND SO IT
- 5 DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE FOR US TO REQUIRE A USE
- 6 PERMIT AND THEN HAVE JURISDICTIONS SAY "BUT WE
- 7 DON'T REQUIRE A USE PERMIT."
- 8 SO WITH THE STANDARDIZED PERMIT,
- 9 THEY REALLY MORE STAND ON THEIR OWN, IF YOU WILL,
- 10 TO MEET OUR STATE MINIMUM STANDARDS. BUT THE
- 11 ISSUE OF A USE PERMIT IS REALLY NOT AN ISSUE
- 12 TODAY. I THINK IT'S CERTAINLY OF SOME CONCERN,
- 13 YOU KNOW, TO THE CITY AND TO -- AND PROBABLY TO
- 14 OTHER PROJECT APPLICANTS WHO MAY BE REQUIRED TO
- 15 GET A USE PERMIT EITHER IN THEIR JURISDICTION OR
- 16 THIS SAME JURISDICTION, BUT IT'S REALLY NOT AN
- 17 ISSUE THAT'S RELEVANT IN TERMS OF YOUR DECISION
- 18 HERE BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY.
- 19 THE FIRE PREVENTION ISSUES ARE
- 20 CERTAINLY. WE DO HAVE A MINIMUM STANDARD ON THAT,
- 21 AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT IS BEFORE THE BOARD.
- 22 AND SO I'M NOT COMMENTING ON WHETHER OR NOT HE'S
- 23 REALLY LOOKED AT IT, BUT IN SOME OF THE TESTIMONY
- 24 IT'S BEEN SAID, WELL, THAT'S BEING TAKEN CARE OF
- 25 BY THE LOCAL FIRE DISTRICT, BUT IT IS SOMETHING

- 1 THAT CAN BE BEFORE THE BOARD.
- 2 WHEN IT'S APPROPRIATE, I'D ALSO LIKE
- 3 TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES THAT I BROUGHT FORWARD AT
- 4 THE LAST MEETING IN TERMS OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP
- 5 ACT, SO I CAN ADDRESS THAT EITHER NOW OR WHENEVER
- 6 IS APPROPRIATE.
- 7 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: GO AHEAD.
- 8 MS. TOBIAS: LAST TIME YOU WILL RECALL I
- 9 BROUGHT UP THE ISSUE OF WHETHER THIS PROJECT
- 10 APPLICANT HAD A LEGAL PARCEL. WHAT I WAS REALLY
- 11 TRYING TO GET TO, I WAS USING A SHORTHAND WAY OF
- 12 ADDRESSING THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO HAVE ALL THE
- 13 SIGNATURES OF ANYONE WHO HAS AN OWNERSHIP, AN
- 14 INTEREST IN PROPERTY, PLUS WE NEED A LEGAL
- 15 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY IN ORDER TO DO OUR
- 16 ENFORCEMENT.
- 17 SO WHAT WE NEED TO HAVE AND WHAT WE
- 18 USUALLY REQUIRE IS SIGNATURES FROM ALL THE
- 19 LANDOWNERS. IN THIS CASE, AS I RECALL -- AND
- 20 TERRY OR CODY CAN CORRECT ME -- WE HAD THE
- 21 LANDOWNER'S SIGNATURE AND OBVIOUSLY THE
- 22 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE, BUT NOT THE LESSEE'S
- 23 SIGNATURE. SO ESSENTIALLY WE DID NOT HAVE ONE
- 24 PERSON WHO HAS AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY AND IS,
- 25 IN FACT, CONVEYING THEIR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY,

- 1 WE DID NOT HAVE THEIR SIGNATURE ON THE
- 2 APPLICATION. THAT'S BEEN RESOLVED.
- THEN THE MATTER WAS FURTHER
- 4 COMPLICATED BY THE FACT THAT THE APPLICANT WAS
- 5 TRYING TO RESPOND TO SOME OF THE ISSUES AND TRYING
- 6 TO CHANGE SOME OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS AT THE
- 7 MEETING. NORMALLY WHAT A PARCEL GIVES YOU, IF
- 8 YOU'VE GONE THROUGH THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT, IS A
- 9 LEGAL DESCRIPTION THAT'S DONE BY A SURVEYOR SO
- 10 THAT YOU HAVE METES AND BOUNDS ON THE PROPERTY.
- 11 WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE A PARCEL, THEN
- 12 WE DON'T ALWAYS HAVE A LEGAL DESCRIPTION. WE
- 13 DECIDED, AFTER REVIEWING THIS MAP THAT WAS
- 14 PROVIDED BY BTI, THAT IS SUFFICIENT IN THIS CASE.
- 15 BUT I THINK THAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO SEE MORE OF
- 16 THESE KINDS OF ISSUES BECAUSE WE ARE PERMITTING
- 17 MORE PROJECTS WHERE WE HAVE LESS SOPHISTICATED
- 18 APPLICANTS GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS OR JUST
- 19 PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE PERMITTING
- 20 PROCESS. SO I WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT FOR A PERIOD
- 21 OF SEVERAL MONTHS OR A YEAR OR WHATEVER, THAT WE
- 22 MIGHT CONTINUE TO SEE SOME OF THESE ISSUES TRYING
- 23 TO BE RESOLVED, AND THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME KIND
- OF ROCKINESS IN THE PROCESS.
- 25 I THINK THAT WE'LL PROBABLY NEED TO

- 1 WORK WITH THE LEA'S ON THIS ISSUE OF BOTH WHO HAS
- 2 THE OWNERSHIP IN THE PROPERTY AND ALSO WHAT IS THE
- 3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND WHAT SUFFICES FOR THAT LEGAL
- 4 DESCRIPTION. IS IT GOOD ENOUGH TO HAVE A MAP?
- 5 DOES IT NEED TO BE A SURVEYED MAP? DOES IT NEED
- 6 TO BE AN ACTUAL LEGAL DESCRIPTION, ETC.? SO I
- 7 THINK THAT ISSUE IS RESOLVED HERE TODAY, BUT I DID
- 8 WANT TO TRY TO INFORM YOU ON WHY I HAD BROUGHT
- 9 THAT UP AND WHY I THINK THAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE
- 10 AN ISSUE UNTIL WE CAN GET EVERYBODY KIND OF MOVING
- 11 ON THE SAME LEVEL.
- 12 ANY QUESTIONS?
- 13 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: QUESTIONS?
- MS. TOBIAS: THANK YOU.
- 15 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. ANY FURTHER
- 16 DISCUSSION?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: MR. CHAIRMAN, AS I
- 18 INDICATED EARLIER, I VISITED THIS SITE. AND I
- 19 THINK IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT A VERY GOOD, WELL-
- 20 MANAGED SITE IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO ONE THAT IS
- 21 NOT WELL MANAGED. IN FACT, THE BTI SITE, I THINK,
- 22 COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH ANY COMPOSTING SITE, IF
- 23 NOT A NOTCH BETTER THAN SEVERAL THAT I'VE SEEN AND
- 24 THAT THIS BOARD HAS PERMITTED. AND THAT'S THE
- 25 ISSUE BEFORE US.

IS THEIR SITE AND THE DELINEATION OF 1 2. THAT SITE. AND INASMUCH AS WE NEED TO DO 3 SOMETHING ABOUT WEAVER, THAT'S NOT THE QUESTION 4 THAT'S BEFORE US HERE. SO I'M WILLING TO SUPPORT 5 THIS PERMIT, ALONG WITH THAT HOPING THAT WE CAN FIND SOME WAY TO JOIN IN THE ACTION AGAINST 6 7 WEAVER. 8 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: I'LL SECOND THAT. CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: OKAY. IT'S BEEN 9 MOVED AND SECONDED TO ISSUE THE PERMIT. ANY 10 FURTHER DISCUSSION? IF THERE ISN'T, WILL THE 11 SECRETARY CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE. 12 13 BOARD SECRETARY: BOARD MEMBER CHESBRO. 14 ABSENT. FRAZEE. 15 BOARD MEMBER FRAZEE: AYE. BOARD SECRETARY: GOTCH. 16 17 BOARD MEMBER GOTCH: AYE. 18 BOARD SECRETARY: JONES. 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: AYE. 20 BOARD SECRETARY: RELIS. 21 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: AYE. 22 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON. CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: AYE. MOTION --23 24 BOARD MEMBER RELIS: MR. CHAIR, IN LIGHT

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- 3 MONTHLY BASIS AS PART OF THE PERMITS AND
- 4 ENFORCEMENT OR TO THE WHOLE BOARD THE RESULTS
- 5 OF -- AN ONGOING REPORT ON THE ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS
- 6 AGAINST THESE BAD ACTORS, AS WE'VE CALLED THEM. I
- 7 THINK THAT MIGHT HELP US AS WE'RE -- WE'RE GOING
- 8 INTO OUR REGULATIONS, OUR PERMANENT REGULATIONS,
- 9 AND IT JUST MIGHT CONTINUE TO REMIND US WHAT SOME
- 10 OF THE ISSUES ARE AND SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES WE
- 11 FACE ENFORCING ONCE PROBLEMS HAVE INDEED OCCURRED.
- 12 AND I THINK THE SITUATION'S SERIOUS ENOUGH TO HAVE
- 13 SUCH A REMINDER. AND HOPEFULLY WE'LL SEE
- 14 PROGRESS, BUT I SENSE GREAT FRUSTRATION OUT THERE.
- 15 CHAIRMAN PENNINGTON: SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD
- 16 IDEA, AND THE CHAIR WILL WORK WITH MR. CHANDLER
- 17 AND MS. RICE TO WORK THAT OUT.
- 18 IF THERE'S NO OPEN DISCUSSIONS ON
- 19 THIS PARTICULAR ITEM, WE WILL ADJOURN FOR A BRIEF
- 20 EXECUTIVE SESSION AND THEN THE PERMITTING AND
- 21 ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE WILL MEET.

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23 (END OF PROCEEDINGS AT 10:30 A.M.)

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